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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013-14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2297

Introduced by Assembly Member Levine

February 21, 2014

An act to add Section 1250.07 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to health facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2297, as amended, Levine. Health facilities: fuel cell generators. reliable alternative clean energy technologies.

Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of health facilities by the State Department of Public Health. A violation of these provisions is a crime. Existing law requires certain health facilities to test diesel backup generators in accordance with specified provisions.

This bill would authorize these health facilities to use reliable alternative clean energy technologies as primary or backup power sources if the technology meets reliability requirements set forth by federal and state regulators. The bill would require the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to submit to the California Building Standards Commission-guidelines building standards for the use of reliable alternative clean energy technologies for essential services, power systems, to be adopted in the next triennial edition of the California Building Standards Code.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1250.07 is added to the Health and Safety 2 Code, to read:

1250.07. (a) A health facility, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41514.1, may use reliable alternative clean energy technologies as primary or backup power sources if the technology meets reliability requirements set forth by federal and state

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(b) The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development shall submit to the California Building Standards Commission guidelines building standards for the use of reliable alternative clean energy technologies for essential-services power systems to be adopted in the next triennial edition of the California Building